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REMARKS

In the Office Action dated September 20, 2007, the Examiner finally rejects all pending claims under 35 U.S.C. §112, ¶6. While Applicants respectfully and thereby traverse this rejection, Applicants submit herewith Amended claims to further advance the prosecution of the present application and submit that for at least the reasons stated below, all pending claims are in condition for allowance.

Amendments

Claims 6, 15, 22 and 27 have been amended to recite further limitations regarding the claims "low weight." These amendments do not add any new matter as these limitations were described in the specification as originally filed, see for example page 98, lines 2-9. Entrance and Examination is therefore requested.

Rejection of claims under 35 U.S.C. §112, ¶2

Claims 6-12 and 14-26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, ¶2 as being indefinite in view of the recitation of the term "low." Applicants respectfully disagree because the specification provides proper guidance for the distinction between the terms "low" and "higher than the low."

For brevity's sake, Applicants resubmit the previously-offered position regarding the rejection of these claims as being indefinite. In the Response to Arguments section, the Examiner indicates that the term "low" is deemed a relative term and is not given proper context, and therefore indefinite. Applicants maintain that the term "low" is not indefinite because one of ordinary skill in the art would readily identify if a score is low score or a high score. In fact, being of ordinary skill in this particular art field would

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necessarily include the knowledge of readily identifying if a weight is low or high because this value directly relates to the weighting of a term and hence a score of a document.

Regardless, in order to further advance the present application, Applicants include herein additional claim language specifically reciting the defined context of the "low weight." The context is that a low weight is defined as being a weight which is less then a high weight. Therefore, one of ordinary skill in the art could very easily and readily identify if a first weight is a low weight by a direct comparison with another weight, if the first weight is less than a high weight, it is thus a low weight.

As such the rejection of these claims under 35 U.S.C. §112, ¶2 is improper.

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In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants believe that the present application is now in condition for allowance, and allowance of all the pending claims is respectfully solicited. To expedite prosecution of this application to allowance, the Examiner is invited to call the Applicant's undersigned representative to discuss any issues relating to the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. <u>50-4026</u>.

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THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING SUBMITTED FACSIMILE TO THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE ON October 31, 2007.

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